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# "A Singing Heart"

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#### NEW COMMUNIONS (Thompson, Bostic, Aubrey)

Welcome new communions, Let go of your pain and burdens Admission free, just confess you're a human, With a heart open wide to new communions The darkness of night don't stand a chance, With fire and starlight starting to dance On faces of friends all gathered round, The love in this moment, what' lost is found Welcome new communions, Let go of your pain and burdens Admission free Just confess you're a human With a heart open wide to new communions We're building a home and breaking some bread, Making the /me to really listen You are a mystery I want to explore, A distant horizon as close as the shore Welcome new communions Let go of your pain and burdens Admission free Just confess you're a human, With a heart open wide to new communions Storms rage around us but love have found us, Right where we are Welcome new communions, Let go of your pain and burdens Admission free Just confess you're a human With a heart open wide to new communions

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# **SOUL OF THE NATION** (Thompson, Brinley, Aubrey)

Let it be said, when we finish this race, We kept them free, we led with grace Let it be seen from sea to shining sea, Beautiful America. living our legacies O, father, mother, sister, brother, O, let us learn to love one another

O, for the soul of the nation for,

O, the next generation

Let us be known as people of honor,

Humble and bold Faithful through fire

Let us hold firm to our convictions,

With courageous hearts, eager to listen

- O, father, mother, sister, brother,
- O, let us learn to love one another
- O, for the soul of the nation for,
- O, the next generation

Let us make room, let us reimagine,

Welcoming voices with true compassion

Let's craft a world with hopes and dreams,

For challenges known and those still unseen

- O, father, mother, sister, brother,
- O, let us learn to love one another
- O, for the soul of the nation for,
- O, the next generation

"There are movements in my lines, measures molded into notes under strict time and half time. A symphony unto which I stretch words as chords in an unending melody. These are the flawless, future features of a forgotten system, longing to depart from the malevolent oppression of what has been deceptively named "freedom".

"These are the first amendment petitions I have scribbled into the lined pages of a generation. Where the songs, fading into the background, again and again, reveal the notes as more than just measures and movements under time and half time."

Spencer Aubrey

O, father, mother, sister, brother ...

#### Burke Ingraffia

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# St. ANDREW'S DAY

Will you share this meal with me?

Somewhere between Scotland and Sicily

A sip of wine, a simple spread filling the hole within with broken bread

Perhaps it might be only me and you

or we could ask all our loved ones to come and join us too And from across the table you might hear me say

I will not forget St. Andrew's Day

I remember late November, the air it had a chill

I saw you walking toward me up on the hill

We spoke of books and art and Saints, and givenness too

And that famous composer whom neither of us knew

There's a prayer in all the things that we create Chosen were the bread and wine, not the wheat and grapes Maybe it's too soon to feel this way, But I will remember St. Andrew's Day

Made in the image of Someone hidden and obscure
I saw something shimmer in your written words
They were strung together with intention and mystery
Like the rosary beads, your gift to me, I know you need quiet
when you write

I will give you the morning if you give me the night, No, I will never get in the way

And I will not forget St. Andrew's Day

May we come along Uncle Drew? Please invite your brother Peter too.

We'll travel eastward on the Silk Road with you following your sandals to someplace new Or we can lead if you prefer. She will take care of God's children

while I take care of her
And if even if she decides to go her own way
I will still remember St. Andrew's Day
Will you share this meal with me?
Somewhere between Scotland and Sicily

Somewhere between Scotland and Sicily The bread of angels, the cup of today I will not forget St. Andrew's Day

## Burke Ingraffia

#### WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?

The kitchen's too small, and there's so much love. There's never been "you" or "me" - only "us."

An apartment's not a house, but it is a home - taking care of her own.

What can I do for you? What can I do for you? I believe that love is a decision.

What can I do for you? What can I do for you? It's a decision and it's a feeling too.

For better or for worse those were her vows.

She meant them then. She means them now.

There is always a way, and you always hear her say,

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What can I do for you? What can I do for you?

It's a decision and it's a feeling too.
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There's never been "you" or "me" - only "us."

What can I do for you? What can I do for you?

I believe that love is a decision.

What can I do for you? What can I do for you?

It's a decision and it's a feeling too.

Matt Kent

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## LACRIMOSA

I just need a quick fix, I ain't gonna miss this We've already crossed that line, this time I won't get addicted

Tell me lies, girl. Say it softly. You'll be sayin' (take it off me)

Normally I ain't the type to play pretend, Play pretend I don't really care tonight just say it again, Say it again. Late Night, Sun Rise

Lost in Your eyes. Let's play pretend that I'll see you again Lacrimosa, It's been really nice to know ya, Lacrimosa, I should have told ya

Only needed one kiss, always get me like this
Temptations high tonight, I lied so don't get it twisted
Tell you lies to get you on me, I need you to say you want me
Normally I ain't the type to play pretend, Play pretend
I don't really care tonight just say it again, say it again
Late Night, Sun Rise, lost in Your eyes.
Let's play pretend, That I'll see you again
Lacrimosa, It's been really nice to know ya,
Lacrimosa, I should have told you

#### Matt Kent

## SEVENTEEN

What would you say now would you be honest give me the ok moving beyond this cause it's heavy to hold and my fingers gone cold again nobody told me, it would be easy losing a lifeline forever completely putting the pieces together ill out them wherever I want when I think of you do you think of me, I wish I had more than a couple memories it only takes one fire to kill a family tree where the hell were you when I was seventeen will you remember me when I'm missing teeth and my hairs all falling out I'm getting older now there's so much you missed out on things you'd frown upon what is like up there should I be so scared are you up there waiting I really need you now have I made you proud I don't think so lately

I don't know if I can feel anymore it's been so long now
I figured out how to get on, gave no rhyme no reason left
like changing season I'll just go on being
when I think of you do you think of me
I wish I had more than a couple memories
it only takes one fire to kill a family tree
where the hell were you when I was seventeen
will you remember me when I'm missing teeth
and my hairs all falling out
I'm getting older now there's so much you missed out on things
you'd frown upon ...

## Lindsay Liebro

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#### COINCIDENCE

I didn't think this through, Getting over you is harder than I could've guessed I should've given it more time But after years of my life I thought we'd always be this mess I don't wanna know who the next girl is, If she knows about how you broke your ribs I don't wanna know where you're going out tonight I don't wanna watch how you kiss her lips, Living out your life like I don't exist I don't wanna hear that you finally got it right, Cause wouldn't it be a coincidence If I showed up at your residence, Knocking on your door, running away And maybe I'd find you by happenstance, And we'd get our second chance Saving all my love for a rainy day - Coincidentally You never meant a word you said Planted lies into my head to make me think that this was real You were only in it for yourself cause loving anybody else would be an unrealistic deal I don't wanna know who the next girl is If she'll be the one who will raise your kids I don't wanna know if she's prettier than me I don't wanna watch as your life goes by Wishing it was me standing by your side I don't wanna let go of all our history, oh Cause wouldn't it be a coincidence If I showed up at your residence Knocking on your door, running away, And maybe I'd find you by happenstance And we'd get our second chance, Saving all my love for a rainy day - Coincidentally Isn't it funny moving on? You've got another in your arms

Does she fit better than me? Is she everything you've dreamed? Does she make you just forget who we were before the end? And I'm still stuck on the past knowing we weren't made to last

Wouldn't it be... Knocking on your door running away And maybe I'd find you by happenstance, And we'd get our second chance
Saving all my love for a rainy day - Coincidentally ...
Lindsay Liebro

# WASTED POTENTIAL

Past 10, and I'm in my notes app, Crying again, push another sinking feeling away Spell out the words you know I'll never say, Arcade full of games you're rigged to lose It's my future the bad guys get to choose, It's exhausting never knowing what comes next and always showing signs of a girl with the wasted potential Watch what she does with her brain instead of med school She could be a doctor, she could be a lawyer, But what is she to do with a beat-up quitar, oh Burned out, seeing right through my ghost Tell me when it'll feel like everything's fallen in place Don't have her beauty, I don't have her face, Reflect on a life I could've led Their doubt living rent-free in my head Rosy cheeks, red carpet streets, they shine so bright but they won't ever shine for me Signs of a girl with the wasted potential Watch what she does with her brain instead of med school She could be a doctor, she could be a lawyer, But what is she to do with a beat-up quitar And what will she do when the dream doesn't pan out Waiting on tables to pay for her rent now, Tell me what's the backup after all this dreaming Girl, you need a real job, I don't know what you're thinking Built my whole life on being the one out of a million Caught in a Hollywood scheme but I've got the green light Baby, let's burn this scene Signs of a girl, Signs of a girl, Signs of a girl, Signs of a girl Hung up on a daydream, pining just like Gatsby Drowning out the noise cause you'll never really know me Signs of a girl with the wasted potential Watch what she does with her brain instead of med school Didn't need a backup after all this dreaming I can see it clearly, cause I know me, and I believe Nothing's too far out of reach If superstars have blue quitars then it's calling, calling me No, no but not her... Look again, she's smarter,

#### Rhea Santos

#### A KITCHEN WALTZ

The dance floor was your kitchen
Waltzing like amateurs, listening to a recording
We swayed to no beat, just a piano and the voice
Of a man as he sings about a heartbreak
I'm afraid to take the lead. I believe I'm cursed with two left
feet
We trip and fall laughing all along the oven knob is ticking

We trip and fall, laughing all along, the oven knob is ticking to our song

Lead me in this dance meant for two, show me how to love the way you do

Prom dance in your kitchen, wearing nothing but sweats We're barefoot on the floor, with little grace we waltz across your place

You will laugh then confess

If you went to the dance you would've taken me in a heartbeat This moment lights us up, we're burning, we're on fire We trip and fall, laughing all along the halls they bounce and echo to our song

Lead me in this dance meant for two, show me how to love the way you do

You hugged me from behind, spun me around

Laughter makes the sweetest sound. In this moment I knew what i feel is true

I know how i feel about you now

Then you kiss my hand, I understand

How could I pretend I don't love you anymore

I'll never be the same because of you. Now I know the love I feel is true

#### Rhea Santos

# **EMBERS**

Put the fire out and think about
How to face the cold without your warmth
Never did intend to lose, everything I needed
When we failed to keep all that we promised
Ran away from what we could be. But I'm the one to blame
Cause I never reached out. Didn't want to feed the flame

And I know there are a couple sparks left within the softest part of my heart

And they might not burn as bright, but I'll always remember your light

Scatter the ashes, now out of view, managing the urge to speak to you

Time will be the one to heal our pain, then come back in any way

And I know there are a couple sparks left within the softest part of my heart

And you're burned inside my mind. Could we try to reignite that light?

Will we go up in flames? Hey, hey, in flames

Will you come back one day? Hey, hey, one day

Call it proof if after this the embers decide to stay If this is what it took to prove our love won't go away Then clear my head and douse the flame

And clean me, call it a severance, a payment, it's worth it To make you a better fit. I really hope this is it